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Sir:

Might it not be better to withhold comments on the Harvard guidelines in "Notes from the Director" until such time as our forthcoming discussions with representatives of Harvard University are completed?

/s/ Jack

John F. Blake

Acting Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, 7D 6011 Hqs,

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NOTE FOR: Admiral Turner

Sir:

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got through to Mike Kelly, the Assistant to Attorney General Bell. Kelly talked to Bell about our giving notification to universities. Bell requests that this not be done until he more thoroughly familiarizes himself with the issues involved. He will endeavor to give some advice tomorrow but no commitment. I will continue developing the information we will need in case Bell approves and we do mount the operation.

/s/ Jack

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I can think of no reason why that same approach should not prove personally attractive and professionally useful to qualified officers who are desirous of acquiring a PhD. There is, however, one qualification I wish to call to your attention, though I am aware it may be unnecessary. Most of the officers who are attracted to your program will, of necessity, be leaving their service within a few years. Some of these will wish to seek academic positions as a second career. For this reason, even though you are appropriately aiming your program mainly at serving officers, it seems to me essential that the program be so designed that its completion will assist, and neither hinder nor deter, those who may, upon retirement from the service, choose this second-career option. To this end, as I am confident you will agree, it is of crucial importance that your program be firmly grounded in a recognized academic discipline and that your students, having earned the doctorate, be freely accepted by their academic contemporaries as full professional members of that discipline.

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Finally, let me also say that I am grateful for your compliment to my <u>Foreign Affairs</u> article and that I trust I may look forward to complimenting some of your ex-students on comparable efforts in future years.

With best wishes for the acceptance and success of your splendid project,

Yours,

STANSFIELD TURNER

Enclosure

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MEMORANDUM F	OR: Director of Central Intelligence
VIA:	Deputy to the DCI for National Intelligence
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SUBJECT:	Letter from Professor Willard C. Frank, Jr., Old Dominion University, Norfolk, Inviting Your Thoughts and Suggestions on a Proposed PhD Program in Military History and Strategic Studies
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Old Dominion in a highly believe you naval office	Applauding and endorsing, however, are different. U is a new creation, struggling to achieve standing competitive community of institutions. I do not should write a letter that might be used to persuaders (and others) to undertake the new course in the that it will contribute substantially to their
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Admiral Stansfield Turner, USN Director of Central Intelligence Washington, D.C. 20505

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Dear Admiral Turner:

You may recall our conversation before you left Norfolk concerning the strategy and policy curriculum at Old Dominion University. The Certificate and Masters level programs have been quite successful and the officers who have elected them have been the sharpest and most dedicated group of students I have been privileged to know.

I would like to solicit your thoughts on a proposed doctoral program in Military History and Strategic Studies which the History Department is submitting this fall. It is based on the philosophy of the Naval War College curriculum and is also designed primarily for the professional military officer. A basic concept to us is that a thorough study of history is the foundation for the theoretical and contemporary studies which will balance the program. At every stage we would design explorations into context, cause, and effect. Such a doctorate would be unique. We are very excited about the idea, as are the scholars we have so far consulted.

One problem is state reluctance to fund any new doctorate in the face of financial limitations and a popular view of Ph.Ds walking the streets. We need to demonstrate conclusively the need for such doctoral study and that it will enhance existing careers rather than burden a tight job market. We would like to hire a senior professor with an international reputation to head the program, but as costs are crucial, we are prepared to proceed at first with a request to fund a part-time or consulting position, perhaps for a retired scholar. The budget will be tight. Luckily, our library is fairly good and the university has a dedicated core of midcareer faculty in the military history/international relations area to carry much of the burden of the program.

I am enclosing for your information a copy of a flyer on the current Certificate and Masters level S&P program and a copy of the preliminary letter of intent for the Ph.D in Military History and Strategic Studies.

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We would be very appreciative of any thoughts and suggestions you may have concerning the proposed Ph.D program as a concept or in any specific aspect.

I have been following with great interest your recently published articles. Your piece in January's Foreign Affairs is full of common sense which I hope will become more commonly shared than in the past. At least it should be required reading of every member of Congress.

Finally let me extend my most sincere wishes for the success of your efforts in your current assignment

With best regards

Willard C. Frank, Jr.

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August 9, 1977

Admiral Stansfield Turner Director of Central Intelligence Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Admiral Turner:

It sincerely would be appreciated if a representative of the Central Intelligence Agency could be made available as a guest lecturer for a course I am offering at Casper College for the University of Wyoming.

The course concerns American politics and institutions with specific emphasis on the intelligence bureaucracy. Since much of our internal and external counter-intelligence and intelligence activity is the result of Soviet action, consideration is also given to the KGB and the GRU.

I estimate that I will complete my lecture series on the CIA on October 26, 1977, and would like to schedule a CIA guest lecturer for a class period soon after that. Classes meet Monday, Wednesday and Friday at one in the afternoon.

The format I suggest for the fifty minute period would be to divide it up into a lecture section followed by a shorter question and answer time. The class would be interested in CIA covert operations and analytical responsibilities.

I have also invited a guest lecturer from the FBI and have requested Ambassador Dobrynin to make one of his military attaches available to discuss overt intelligence activities.

Senator Malcolm Wallop has agreed to lecture on his view as a member of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.

Sincerely,

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